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Trial of man accused of murdering India starts this week: See pg 9

# GUNNED DOWN

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**A teenager who was studying midwifery at the University of Northampton was shot dead by her father this week after returning home for the summer holidays.**

Charlotte Hart, 19, was killed along with her mother Claire, 50, by father Lance at a leisure centre near their home in Spalding, Lincolnshire on Tuesday.

After shooting his wife and daughter in the Castle Sports Complex car park, Mr Hart, 57, then turned the gun on himself and took his own life.

The shooting happened two days after Charlotte had returned home from a holiday to Tenerife with her boyfriend - who she first met at her university. It is reported that her mum had just told her dad their marriage was over.

Paying tribute to her, Mary Huntley - the Senior Lecturer in Midwifery at the University of Northampton - said: "The students and staff at the university are deeply saddened to hear of Charlotte's death.

"She was a lovely young woman, who will be sorely missed."

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## Future of Greyfriars

**The final proposals for the site of Northampton's former Greyfriars bus station have been revealed. Both modern schemes feature a cinema, hotel, restaurants, apartments and a coach station.**

■ Read the full story on p7

## The Boroughs boy

**Alan Moore's forthcoming novel Jerusalem is an epic fantasy but also a gritty realisation of the area he was born and raised in, Northampton's Spring Boroughs.**

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Someone has left their dog in the car with the windows closed on the hottest day of the year. Not a sensible thing to do. The police gave some advice.

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## text2text

This week's text2text is with Cllr Lora Lawman who represents the Rixon ward on Wellingborough Council

**Where is your favourite spot in the world?**

My home in Wellingborough, followed by Mauritius - no competition there!

**What was the last item you broke?**

My favourite seat on the settee - the footrest broke - disaster

**If Lora Lawman was a drink what drink would she be?**

A full-bodied red wine

**What was the name of your teddy bear when you were a child?**

My Steiff teddy bear called Brummie

**What is your favourite sandwich?**

It has to be Brie with grapes and red onion chutney

**What's the one thing you lost or broke which you want back?**

A gold Nefertiti ring my godmother gave me

**Which song makes you emotional or makes you cry?**

Eric Clapton's Tears in Heaven

**Who is the most famous person you have met face to face?**

HRH Princess Anne

## Editor's Letter

### Getting a taste of what top women cyclists can do . . .

I took part in the Tour Ride at the weekend.

Basically it gave very ordinary cyclists like me (and a lot who are a lot less ordinary than me) a flavour of what the professionals took on in the Women's Tour last month.

I was riding the 40 mile intermediate route which included Newnham Hill going into Daventry.

It is a bit of a beast.

It was 20 odd miles into the event and you can pretty much see to the top when you start it, so you know what you are up against.

As I arrived at the bottom there were a few riders on it, one was walking, the others were standing up on their pedals and grinding away.

I have changed my views on going uphill on a bike since I have got into cycling.

When my midlife crisis first began I would go a long way out of my way to avoid hills.

I never would have attempted Newnham.

However doing London to Paris I found that there is a fair amount of technique involved in getting up hills.

> ‘It is not all about gritting your teeth through the pain’

It is not all about gritting your teeth through the pain in your thighs. Using your gears at the right time, standing up at the right time, just plodding away and getting yourself another inch forwards is all part of it.

I made it to about halfway before turning the pedals just became impossible.

Many other riders appeared to glide past serenely as I dismounted and walked - at least I lived to fight another day.

I'm not surprised that the kind of challenge the women professionals eat for breakfast was too much for me.

I do think it is a shame they are not better rewarded for their efforts however. The funding and prize money in women's cycling is nowhere near what the men get and races like the Women's Tour can only help to redress the balance. Hopefully it will have a long association with the county. Our picture of the week is from the Tour Ride on p6.

*Steve Scoles*

**NEWS** IN BRIEF

## Hottest day

**Northampton had its hottest day of the year so far on Tuesday when temperatures soared to 33.4C.**

**Bizarrely this was the hottest since the same day in July 2006, when 35.5C was recorded.**

## Man stabbed

**A man suffered two stab wounds to the leg after he was attacked while stepping out of his car near his home in Kettering. The victim was attacked by two unknown men in Channing Street in the early hours of Tuesday.**

## New cafe bar

**A new cafe bar restaurant will move into one of Northampton's most historic buildings later this year. Loungers will move into Welsh House, next to the Market Square entrance to the Grsovenor Centre.**

## Poke warning

**Police are urging people in Northants not to trespass onto private property while playing the mobile Pokémon game. They also warn that, due to threat levels, anyone found on a police site for non-police business will be challenged.**

## Serious collision

**A motorcyclist from Northampton suffered serious injuries following a collision on the A45 near to Ringstead, on Saturday. The man was riding a BMW R1200 GS motorbike when it collided with a black Peugeot 508.**

# Trick to tallest weed is. . .tea?

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**A couple who have been watering a garden weed with cold tea have been left stunned after it shot up to almost 10 feet tall - making it a possible new world record.**

The monster thistle towers over Jean Parker, 59, and Carl Fisher, 54, after blooming to the staggering height of 9ft 10in in the garden of their home in Irchester, near Wellingborough.

It took just 12 months to reach the size, and grandmother-of-two Jean is now hoping to encourage experts from the Guinness Book of Records to visit her and her partner's home to officially measure the plant.

Care home worker Jean, originally from Newport Pagnell, says Carl decided to keep the scotch thistle after seeing it sprout up last July as he was intrigued as to what it was.

"He was tidying up in the garden last summer, and he saw this little plant and thought 'oh, that looks interesting, I won't dig it up - I'll replant it'," Jean said. "And from then it just grew and grew and grew.

"It really is amazing how much it has grown, and it hasn't even taken much looking after - we just water it once a month with cold tea when there's warm weather. But because we have had all that rain this year, that is probably why it has shot up suddenly."

HIGH HOPES: Jean Parker and Carl Fisher with the thistle

The couple believe the prickly plant started life as a bird seed, as above the spot where it grew was a bird feeder, which they often used to fill up with seeds - some of which would drop to the ground.

It reached the height of nearly 10ft last month, but it wasn't until this week when Jean showed a picture of it to friends when she realised it might be a new world record.

The current record for the tallest thistle is 8ft and is located in Ottawa, Canada.

"We'd be over the moon if it won," Jean said.

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## Fire at Sixfields

**More than 600 properties were left without power for an hour after a fire broke out at an electrical substation in Sixfields, Northampton, on Monday. The blaze at the substation next to Bella Italia restaurant was quickly put out.**

## Pair's baby joy

**Former Saints player Ben Cohen and Strictly Come Dancing star Kristina Rihanoff stepped out in Northammpton with their newborn baby girl for the first time last week. The couple were seen walking down Fish Street with their daughter.**

# Ice man honoured by university

## Lawrence John speaks to polar explorer Ben Saunders as he receives a uni honour

**Polar explorer Ben Saunders has survived temperatures of -35c but he found Tuesday's high of 35c unbearable when he was in Northampton.**

The record breaking adventurer was at Royal & Derngate where he was presented with a Honorary Fellowship by the University of Northampton.

Ben achieved his fame when he literally followed in the footsteps of Sir Earnest Shackleton and Captain Robert Falcon Scott.

Shackleton did not finish the journey but lived while Capt Scott died along with a number of his men on his failed expedition.

But where they failed Ben and Tarka L'Herpinere triumphed in their quest to walk from Ross Island to the South Pole and back - a journey of 1,795 miles on foot.

He describes the trek over these 105 days as 'the hardest of his life'.

Ben explained he had done 11 expeditions since 2001 and walked 4,000 miles on foot but this trip of a life time was the biggest one he had ever undertaken.

It turned out to be four months of hard work, spending 108 nights in a tent and walking 1,800 miles dragging 440lbs (220kg) each along the route.

If you look at their journey as if they were travelling in Britain, it would mean going from Land's End to John O'Groats and back while dragging this weight.

Ben said: "It was like the two of us each pulling two fat blokes in a bath tub and dragging them along.

"In some ways having finished it I do feel better. Yeah, it was the culmination of a dream that I had for a very long time.

"In other ways it was an extraordinary achievement as it was a goal I had for most of my adult life and that motivated me for the most of my adult life. Of course there were setbacks along the way.

"We had postponements several years in a row and each time we postponed it and I didn't quite achieve it then I became more and more motivated.

"And then of course when you do it, when you finally tick that box then suddenly the goal is gone.

"It took a lot of that year (2014) to physically and mentally and emotionally to recover as this had been a culmination of a dream.

"I had been so caught up in what I was doing to the point even when I had done it, I did not know what I was going to do next.

"One of the biggest challenges afterwards was we did not seem to get a lot of public recognition.

"I wasn't doing it to become famous or to be a celebrity but I felt this was such an iconic journey and most people had heard of Shackleton and Scott but were unaware of what we had achieved.

"Most people's reaction was 'did you see Prince Harry when you were down there' as he had just been there, or 'didn't a Blue Peter presenter do that on a bike?'.

"What this expedition did was to make me do something so extreme that most people do not have a reference point for what we did."

**RECOGNITION: Explorer Ben Saunders**

Over the history of polar expeditions, eight different people have tried this, five died and the rest failed.

Did Ben think what he did was heroic, stupid or could even have led to his own death?

Replying he said: "There is definitely a blurred line and a blurred line between being heroic, bold, courageous and being reckless.

"And we got closer to that line on a few occasions than I ever imagined. We were taking a risk.

"It meant we were exhausted and we were only half way through the first part of the trip. At the time we had to get extra food flown to us and at the time I thought this had been a failure.

"But looking back on it now, the hardest decisions I had to make are now the most satisfying.

"I put our welfare and our safety ahead of our goals.

"And one of the main things was to come back in one piece."

And on Tuesday, the University of Northampton honoured Ben for his achievement.

They did it in a much warmer environment than the South Pole.

But when the temperature is 35c it is still a challenging day.


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# Top 5

## Top selling ice cream dishes from Gallone's

**Here are the best selling treats from Gallone's ice cream parlour in Northampton**

1. Screwball Sundae. Scoops of bubblegum and raspberry ripple ice cream

2. Death by Chocolate. Scoops of chocolate chip and rocky road

3. Nutella stack waffle. Warm waffles, Nutella spread and ice cream

4. Nonna Gallone's sweetie jar. Blackjack and fruit salad ice cream

5. Ambassadors crepe of choice. Hazelnut ripple and Nutella ice cream

# Girl, three, hit by car on busy road

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**A three-year-old girl was rushed to hospital in an air ambulance with serious injuries after being hit by a car on a busy road.**

The child was at a pelican crossing in Great Billing Way, near Rectory Farm, Northampton, when the collision happened at around 8am on Tuesday morning.

It involved a Renault Clio being driven by a 27-year-old woman from Northampton.

The vehicle had been travelling towards Talavera Way when the collision took place, and the incident forced the road to close for more than an hour.

The little girl had to be taken by air ambulance to Birmingham Children's Hospital due to suspected head injuries.

But later in the day, Northamptonshire Police provided an update to say the girl was in a 'stable condition'.

East Midlands Ambulance Service also attended the scene, and an EMAS spokesperson later told the Northants Herald & Post: "Our Fast Response Paramedic was first on scene and called for support from the critical care medical crew on the Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance.

"Due to the patient's serious injuries the crew flew to Birmingham Children's Hospital."

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MY PERSONAL PLAYLIST

## David Bennett

Treasurer of St Andrew's Heritage Society in Spratton

**Pearl Fishers Duet**
**Bjorling & Merrill version**
Fantastic harmonising duet just sends a tingle down spine very time.

**First time Ever I Saw Your Face**
**Roberta Flack**
Perfect female voice with lyrics that hit the spot romantically for me.

**Coney Island**
**Van Morrison**
Simple and full of memories for places and times that remind me of home.

**Carolan's Receipt**
**Derek Bell**
Derek is the harpist from the Chieftains - evocative traditional Irish air.

**Bird on a Wire**
**Leonard Cohen**
Reminds me of my youth, one of my earliest musical influences when I was establishing myself.

# Hundreds of cyclists on Tour Ride

## Saddle up

Hundreds of cyclists set out across Northamptonshire at the weekend to celebrate the Women's Tour by taking part in the official sportive of the event. Amateur riders could choose between an 80, 40 and ten mile version of the course which started from Delapre Abbey. H&P Editor Steve Scoles took part on the 40 mile route and came in at just over three and a half hours. The first few finishers from the 80 mile route were already back! See our video gallery from the event by visiting our website. www.northampton-news-hp.co.uk

YOUR SUMMER NIGHTS START HERE!

**NEWS** IN BRIEF

## Attack leaves woman critical

**Eight teenagers were arrested after an attack on a couple in Northampton left a woman with life changing injuries.**

**The arrests were made on Tuesday following the violent assault in Harefield Road, Blackthorn, some time around 10.30pm on Monday.**

**An altercation had taken place between the two victims and a gang of teenagers, before the group assaulted the couple using weapons.**

**The woman was rushed to University Hospital Coventry where, as of yesterday, she remained in a critical condition.**

**The man had serious injuries, but was discharged from hospital.**

## New Alderman

**A former councillor was recognised for her services to the district. Pauline Bradberry JP, who was chairwoman of East Northants Council from 2006-7 accepted an Honorary Alderman ceremonial medal and certificate.**

## Award winners

**Four primary schools have received awards from the University of Northampton. Greenfields, Bridgewater, All Saints C of E and Kings Heath were recognised for trying to make improvements to their school and wider community.**

## SPLAT's Fun

**This summer the SPLAT (Sport, Play, Leisure and ArTs) team will be running a free event in Towcester to help celebrate National Play Day.**

**The SPLAT programme will run until Friday, September 2.**

## Film grant

**Phoenix Community Cinema (PCC) has been awarded a £950 community grant by South Northamptonshire Council (SNC) to support the cost of film screenings within the district. The scheme brings films to people.**

## Handel's music

**This August, Boughton House will be home to a specially curated exhibition exploring seminal moments in the life of composer George Frideric Handel.**

**Handel at Boughton is open to all ticket holders.**

## Band plays on

**A community grant of more than £40,000 from South Northamptonshire Council will improve training and rehearsal facilities for the Towcester Studio Band.**

**The band has been going for more than 100 years.**

# Greyfriars site plans revealed

**BY NICHOLAS BIEBER**
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**The two development proposals for the former Greyfriars bus station site in Northampton have been revealed - with both plans including a cinema, restaurants, hotel, apartments and a coach station.**

The major schemes, which come out more than a year after the 'Mouth of Hell' was demolished, went on display at the Guildhall on Monday, but have evoked a mixed reaction.

Many people say the town doesn't need another cinema (*p10*), and that the proposals mimic Sol Central - described by some as 'a failed project'.

Cllr Mary Markham, leader of Northampton Borough Council, said: "I think both plans are wonderful. They give such a good opening to the town."

The council will choose which proposal to go ahead with in September.

**An eight-screen multiplex cinema and in-house bistro or a trampoline centre and mini bowling alley are part of the plans for proposal one.**

**One of these two ideas would form the 'leisure hub', and elsewhere there would be six restaurants, a 110-bed Marriott or Hilton hotel, a coach station with six bays, a health and fitness gym, three retail kiosks, and 217 parking spaces.**

**Among the restaurants moving in would be Five Guys, Zizzi and Bella Italia.**

**There would also be 500 student apartments, 150 residential flats and 81 retirement apartments.**

**Work would start in September next year and finish in June 2021.**

**A smaller cinema and coach station, but more restaurants as well as wine bars and cafes are the main differences between this proposal and the first one.**

**The second scheme features a four-screen cinema, a coach station with three bays, a 150-bed four star hotel and gym, 339 student accommodation units and 266 residential units.**

**Some of the 11 eateries lined up are Turtle Bay, All Bar One, Cosy Club and Fish Works. This proposal would also see a footbridge linking directly to the Grosvenor Centre, as well as a pathway to the Market Square - while the first proposal would see pathways to both areas.**

# County MP promoted to cabinet role

South Northants MP Andrea Leadsom has been appointed by new Prime Minister Theresa May as the new Secretary of State for the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

The former banker (***pictured***), who was Mrs May's main rival in the Tory leadership contest before she dropped out, was given the senior role last Thursday as part of the cabinet reshuffle.

Mrs Leadsom, 53, had served as a junior Minister of State for Energy at the Department of Energy and Climate Change since May

2015, but was promoted last week after meeting Mrs May at 10 Downing Street.

Much speculation surrounded whether she would be part of the cabinet, after she bowed out of the Tory leadership race on Monday following a row over comments she made in The Times, suggesting being a mum made her a better candidate for PM than Mrs May, who can't have children.

But having apologised to Mrs May for the remark - which she says was taken out of context - and pulling out of the race to allow the former Home Secretary to become the new PM, the Brexit campaigner has been made the head of Defra.

Elsewhere, Northampton North MP Michael Ellis has also been promoted to deputy leader of the House of Commons.


**Herald&Post** Coach Holidays

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MURDER TRIAL: Edward Tenniswood denies the rape and murder of 20-year-old India Chipchase

# Trial is told man 'throttled' India

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**A bookkeeper accused of killing a young barmaid was heard telling her outside a town centre nightclub 'I'll get you home safe' before she was raped and murdered, a court has heard.**

Edward Tenniswood, 52, stood the start of his trial this week accused of the rape and murder of former private schoolgirl India Chipchase, whose body was found at his house in Stanley Road, St James, Northampton, on January 31 of this year.

Birmingham Crown Court was told how Mr Tenniswood turned up outside NB's nightclub in Bridge Street in the early hours of Saturday, January 30 where he spotted the 20-year-old doctor's daughter looking 'very drunk'.

The prosecutor, Chris Donnellan QC, claims a doorman concerned for Ms Chipchase's welfare had earlier put her into a taxi, but that in her drunk and confused state, she got back out.

Separated from her friends, it was shortly afterwards at about 1.15am that Mr Tenniswood then 'led, steered or escorted' her to a cab which took the pair to his house, the prosecutor said.

Over 24 hours later, India's body was found under a sheet on a mattress in Mr Tenniswood's home half-a-mile away - where it is claimed he raped her and throttled her to death. A post mortem shows the cause of death was pressure to the neck.

The court heard that Miss Chipchase 'appears to have put up a struggle' because the accused's blood was found under one of her fingernails.

And when Mr Tenniswood was arrested at the nearby Ibis hotel, in Marefair, at 6.40pm on the Sunday, the prosecutor said he was found with a scratch to his neck and marks on his arms and legs. He also had a kitchen knife in his bag.

The jury of six men and six women also heard that when Mr Tenniswood was arrested, he told officers 'I'm surprised you were so quick' and 'I suppose you have been to the house and you have found what you were looking for?'

Mr Tenniswood denies rape and murder. The trial is expected to last two weeks.

## Fundraising target beaten

A fundraising page set up to help pay for the funeral of a Northampton man who died at a music festival in Milton Keynes has seen its £500 target beaten by £700 to £1,223.

Liam McEwan, a former Mereway Community College student, 23, died last Sunday at the National Bowl, where the Electric Daisy Carnival gig took place. His death is not being treated as suspicious.

## Brave cops get recognition

Two Northants police officers, one of who was stabbed in the leg by a man wielding a samurai sword, were nominated for an award at the national Police Bravery Awards in London last Thursday.

The pair were recognised for their actions in Northampton in 2014, when PC Gary Liddle pulled colleague Gary Monk to safety after he was stabbed. The awards are used to honour brave cops.

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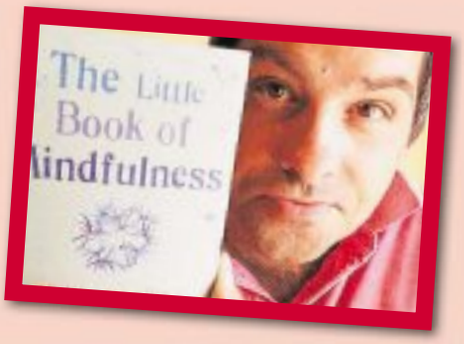
## Mindfulness

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## BLOGGER OF THE WEEK
## Pokemon go home . . .

### Charlie Atkinson

**This week's blogger of the week is journalism student Charlie Atkinson from the University of Northampton**

Pokemon Go home and find something else to do

Unless you've been living under a rock for the past week or so, you will be aware of the new mobile craze, Pokemon Go.

Last week, for the Herald and Post, I trialled the new app for two days straight and wandered around Northampton Town Centre scouring different landmarks and streets in the hope of catching one.

The game itself is not awful. The idea behind the app is quite clever, as it aims to get people out and about through the medium of a new instalment of an old franchise.

What does annoy me about the game, however, is the frenzy itself.

It is now impossible to socialise with anyone without them being glued to their phone as they flick imaginary PokeBalls at digitalised creatures.

As if millennials weren't bad enough with their phones already.

And this craze has no sign of slowing down. As the whereabouts of rare Pokemon flood social media, this snowball is getting bigger and bigger as it rolls down the hill at a rate of knots.

Pokemon Go has spawned a new age of zombies which drift around town centres, but it is time to put down the phones and get back to being human again.

**What do you think?**
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# Your views

## 'Not another cinema?!'

H&P readers share their reaction to the Greyfriars proposals (*p7*) on Facebook and Twitter.

NEW START: The site of the former bus station in Northampton town centre

**SHERON WATSON (via Facebook):** "Nothing there that appeals to me on either plan to be honest!

"We already have cinemas, gyms and restaurants. Why would people already living here need hotels?

"Novel I know but, decent shops and bus station would be a great idea!

"Guess the plans don't have the local population in mind! Which is a bit rich really!"

**DIANA, via @Diana_847 on Twitter:** "(It is) lovely except what good is a town centre with very little in the way of shops?!!"

**ANDY NIGHTINGALE, via @andyofengland on Twitter:** "Do we need another cinema? Sixfields, Sol Central and the really good Errol Flynn are here already."

**PAM WILLIAMS, via Facebook:** "Another cinema!! Ice rink would be better. Total waste of good land. Get some descent shops in to the town then people will use Northampton more. Who actually dreams these plans up??"

**HILARY SCOTT, via Facebook:** "All sounds very much like when they proposed Sol Central, and we know how well that turned out #empty. What a total lack of ambition.

**DAN DAVIES, via Facebook:** "Northampton's a big joke - it's basically Sol Central 2. Epic fail! Northampton will never be a Milton Keynes - get rid of history and put a load of rubbish up. . .that's useless."

**ROB ASHTON, via @rob97blue on Twitter:** "Yes Sol Central was such a success, let's do the same again. . .haha."

# Lunchtime Life

Everyday life's little curiosities snapped this week. Send yours to news@hpnorthants.co.uk

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# School bus crash leaves 20 injured

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**Three air ambulances were scrambled to a double decker school bus carrying 50 children which overturned in a crash with a car.**

The incident happened in Cotterstock Road, Oundle, last Thursday at 4pm when the bus - carrying pupils from Prince William School in Oundle - was in collision with a Vauxhall Corsa.

The red bus, which was carrying 10 primary school children and 39 secondary school children as well as one adult, overturned onto its side.

Twenty children suffered cuts and bruises and were treated by paramedics from the East Midlands Ambulance Service, who arrived within minutes alongside Northants Fire and Rescue Service and Northants Police.

Three air ambulances were also scrambled to the scene, and one child was airlifted to Queens Medical Centre in Nottingham with non-life-threatening injuries.

Another child suffered a broken arm.

In total, nine children were taken to hospital for minor treatment and the driver of the Corsa was airlifted to Walsgrave Hospital in Coventry for treatment to leg injuries. One parent told the Northants Herald & Post a child described seeing blood on the faces of children following the crash, although it is believed nobody suffered any serious injuries.

Prince William School released a statement later on in the evening of the crash, which announced the children and their parents will be offered counselling.

CRASH SCENE: The bus overturned onto its side in the collision

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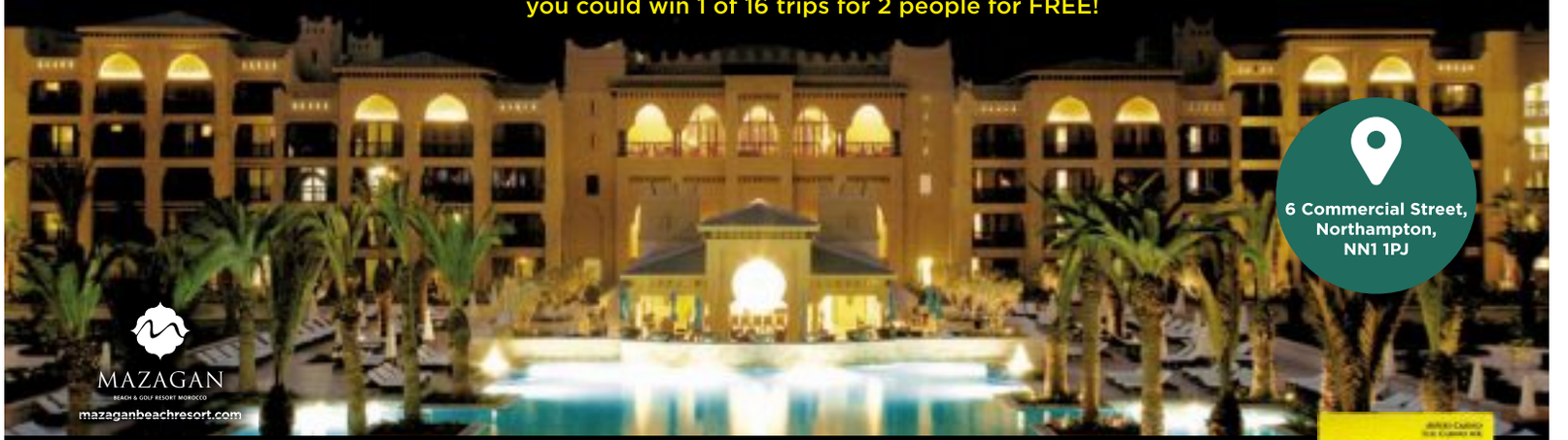

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TRAPPED: Daniel Worley and his best friend Gemma Errington were forced to stay in their hotel room while on holiday in Turkey after an attempted military coup was carried out in the country on Friday

# First holiday hell

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**A pair of friends were forced to lock themselves in their hotel room while on holiday in Turkey after an attempted military coup was launched in the country.**

Daniel Worley, and his best friend Gemma Errington, both 22 and from Northampton, were staying in the tourist resort of Marmaris when an army group tried to take control of the country on Friday night.

The pair, both from Kingsthorpe, had been told by staff to stay in their hotel room after the action was carried out in the country's capital of Ankara, as well as Istanbul, in protest against the government. Although Daniel and Gemma were in a resort more than 300 miles away from Ankara, gunshots were heard in the area as well as passing helicopters - following the news that the Turkish president was on holiday in the same resort.

Speaking to the Northants Herald & Post from the hotel on the night, Daniel said: "We are very scared as it's my first holiday abroad.

"I'm with my friend and we don't know what to do, all I know is not to leave the hotel.

"I can hear police sirens and - I don't whether my mind is playing up - but we heard a helicopter and ran in from our balcony.

"The streets are black as everyone has turned off their lights like they are in hiding."

Daniel, who flew out to Turkey with his friend last Monday, said the pair were keeping updated with the events by watching the news on TV.

He added: "We can also hear police sirens, alarms and people chanting outside on the beach."

While in their hotel room, Daniel also took to Facebook to reassure friends and family he and his friend were safe.

By the next morning, it emerged the attempted military coup had failed - despite appearing successful earlier on.

Daniel and Gemma flew back home as planned on Monday.

## The case of. . .are we heading to the Planet of the Apes

### Lawrence John

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There is a phrase we all use which says 'You learn something new every day.

This will not be true for much longer if what I read in an article is anything to go by.

It reported in the headline: 'The age of stupidity dawns as clever parents have fewer children'.

What it told me was there are not enough clever genes in the world going around and IQs around the globe are dropping.

It's a frightening thought when you think about the phrase 'monkey see, monkey do' and to cap it all we ended up in a Planet of the Apes scenario. . .not a good place to be.

To use a stupid phrase which is creeping into American television programmes especially on the History Channel, 'back in the day'. . .why these presenters use this awful phrase I do not know, it makes out what they are taking about is something out of ancient history.

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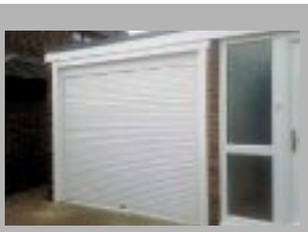

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Decades earlier, in 1910, the Harboro Rubber Company released a rubber sole comprising of a studded sole and heel - The Dainite Studded Sole - it is seen as a design classic.

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The 1910 design (worn by a famous British Secret Service agent), plus others like the Ridgeway sole and heels, Medway sole and heels, Timeless, Arbro and Mens cleated stick on sole are used on a number of shoes around the world.

Dainite gets its name from the local phrase which described the company as the 'day and night' mills.

The distinctive characteristics of a Dainite Studded Sole is the design and the developed compound used in its manufacture.

The studded effect makes it easy to clean with the dirt or mud unable to cling to the sole of the shoes. The rubber is also reinforced with silica and aluminium silicate which means it will never leave a black mark on the floor.

The Dainite Sole is made in three colours: black, sepia and brick red. And the Harboro Rubber Company's soles have become a watchword in the quality shoe industry for excellence.

The reliability and workmanship of the Dainite sole means it is used by the majority of the prestigious Northamptonshire boot and shoe makers. As well as supplying these quality shoe companies in the county, the company exports the Dainite Studded Sole to 32 countries around the globe including Japan, USA, Australia, New Zealand, the Far East, France, Germany, India, South Korea and Hong Kong.

The business was started in 1894 by Arthur Briggs and four generations later it is still owned by the Briggs family.

The man at the helm today is James Briggs - who said he gets a number of requests

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every month from firms wanting to buy his company but all are rejected as Harboro intends to remain independent and family owned.

He said: "What people like about the Dainite Studded Sole is that it is quality and when they see the word Dainite on the rubber they know they are buying into a rich heritage.

"When people are buying shoes/boots from a quality Northamptonshire shoe maker they do not want an inferior rubber sole put on the bottom of their shoes.

"Even though we have this classic, we are always looking to be innovative and produce better designs.

"Out of all the Dainite Rubber Soles we make at our factory, 40 per cent are exported. The Americans love our product as they love the British quality."

He added: "We are always learning as we know the world does not sit still and we are always striving to improve what we do."

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# Now the Boroughs is coming to you...

## Alan Moore talks to H&P Editor Steve Scoles about his epic new novel set in Northampton

BOROUGHS BOY: Alan Moore addresses a residents' protest in Spring Boroughs and the cover of his forthcoming novel Jerusalem which he designed himself. The book is a fantasy inspired by true stories from the Boroughs and Northampton.

After ten years, 1200 pages and 600,000 words Northampton writer Alan Moore has completed what he thinks is the most important book he will ever write.

His career describes an imagination on an epic scale: dragging superheroes back down to earth in Watchmen; putting a face on the revolution (when it finally comes) in V for Vendetta; assembling an A-list cast of fictional heroes from the age of adventure for The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen; giving pornography some self-respect in Lost Girls without making it do its buttons up – and this brief list is not even a taster.

Hollywood snapped up his work and discovered – like a snake that's swallowed a coat hanger - that being a predator is not always the winning hand. Owning the rights and getting it right were two very different things.

Unmoved by either the threats or seduction of the entertainment world's biggest corporations Alan has remained a resident of Northampton crafting fiction (and so much more) of unnervingly superior quality.

His hometown has featured in his work before - in fact almost constantly if you know where to look. The outstanding example is his first novel Voice of the Fire - a collection of connected Northampton stories plucked from several eras of history.

But anyone who has taken more than a passing interest in the interviews Alan has been giving for the past few years will know he has been itching to go further with chronicling the magic and mystery not only of Northampton but of Spring Boroughs, where he was born.

In 2006 (perhaps 2005) he started work on Jerusalem and in September it will be published: a huge book in every sense.

"This is probably, almost certainly the biggest and most important work of my life, I cant imagine myself doing anything bigger or more important in the time I have got left. It is a very unusual book by anybody's standards," said Alan, reflecting on the project in his Northampton home.

An unscientific scan of Wikipedia puts a 600,000 word novel in amongst the top 20 longest novels of all time. In modern publishing novels this size are once in a blue moon events. One thing is certain, it was not dashed off on a whim.

"I had an impulse to do something major that wasn't comics," said Alan "Something that was a summary in many ways of a lot of themes that have been running through my work for decades. I wanted to do something about Northampton that was more intense and focussed than Voice of the Fire which was quite an intense and focussed book but I wanted to go further, I wanted to be more specific, I wanted to talk specifically about the (Spring) Boroughs. There seemed to be an awful lot of things that I wanted to get into this novel."

Real places and events are the starting point for the Moorian flights of fantasy. One incident in particular - a moment from his childhood when his brother Mike almost choked on a cough sweet - was the spark this time. Mike was rushed to hospital not breathing.

"For a few minutes there he was dead, as novelist that gives you a considerable window. I thought I could write a very big book about where he was during those two or three minutes," Alan explained.

"This book is full of ghosts, demons, river monsters, all sorts of creatures, it is partly a ridiculous fantasy it's really hardcore social realism on another level, both of these things at the same time, it is rather difficult to describe."

Alan was born in Spring Boroughs, an area of the town he has a great passion for and has done a lot of campaigning work in - from supporting residents in battles with the authorities to helping excluded students in the area's schools.

It is at the heart of Jerusalem, along with reflections on Einstein's theory of eternalism, the nature of poverty and everyone's right to their own mythology - no matter what their background.

He said: "If people do talk about what we fondly call the working class then there seems to be a choice of two registers in which they talk about it: they either deplore it for its vulgarity and yes I'm looking at you Martin Amis, and they produce a spiteful parodies of the way that they perceive working calss people living, behaving and thinking. The other mode is to pity these poor victims. Nobody sees themselves like that. Everyboy sees themselves as the hero in their own story. It doesnt matter about the background, everybody is a hero in their own heart and Jerusalem acknowledges that, it is talking about pverty but it isnt saying 'oh dear what's to be done the poor will be always with us, arent they treated dreadfully'. It is saying these are people with lives, with histories with stories that are as gigantic as any Royal family or bloodline

"I have always felt that Jerusalem could only be founded in the dark satanic mills, in those pleasant mews and crescents there perhaps wasnt such a burning need for Jerusalem as there was in areas like the Boroughs. And yes I am using the Boroughs because it is where I grew up and there is an astonishing amount of history embedded in it. I am using that as a shorthand for all of the areas that are like the Boroughs. There is also the message in Jerusalem the message that when I was growing up in the boroughs and the decades before that, it was a place that had been avoided by the respectable people of the town because everybody down there was drunk, they were always fighting, they were violent and they would probably rob you.

"Some of those things were true, not all of them, people didn't want to go to the Boroughs, perhaps that still pertains to a certain degree today. You may not want to go to the Boroughs but the Boroughs is coming to you, wherever you are, the Boroughs has known austerity for centuries, the Boroughs is coming to you. This is the world now, everywhere can become a run down dilapidated neighbourhood with the working class demoted to an underclass it is the middle class who are on the bottom now.

"I want to take the rubble of the area that I was born in, which is pretty much all that was left of it, and make that into someting marvellous, to take the meanest basest materials and build a kind of celestial palace out of them, a way of imposing my vision of the Boroughs on to what is left of the Boroughs. This will change things, I dont know what way, it wont rebuild the boroughs. I could see a little Jerusalem industry.

"At least the Boroughs in peoples minds will be a different place, even if I cant do it with the stones, at least the Boroughs in people's minds will be a different place, it preserves the Boroughs as a ship in a bottle."

The publishing rights to Jerusalem have already been sold around the world. It comes out in the UK in September by Knockabout. See online for the full version of this interview.

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# Tribute to student shot dead by dad

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**A teenager shot dead by her father has been described by her university as a 'lovely, hard working young woman'.**

Charlotte Hart, 19, along with her mother Claire, 50, was killed by father Lance, 57, near their family home in Lincolnshire on Tuesday.

Paying tribute to Charlotte - who studied midwifery at the University of Northampton - Mary Huntley, the senior lecturer in midwifery at the university, said: "The students and staff here are deeply saddened to hear of her death.

"Charlotte was lovely young woman, who's quiet, friendly manner served her well with her academic studies at University and during her clinical placement with Kettering General Hospital. Charlotte was well liked and extremely hard working throughout her studies; as well as when she was playing for the University of Northampton Students' Union Lacrosse team.

"Charlotte was a lovely person, who will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends at this difficult time."

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# Cop dies in bike crash on holiday

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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**Tributes are pouring in for a 'popular' special constable for Northamptonshire Police who died in a motorbike crash while on holiday in Spain this week.**

SC Amanda Wood, who was based in Rushden, was involved in the tragic collision on Monday in Caspe, northern Spain, while travelling to the country from Portugal.

The constable had been on a motorcycling holiday, and frequently used her Twitter account to share updates of her time abroad, as well as life in the police force.

Her last Tweet was in response to a friend who wished her 'a lovely time' on holiday, to which she replied: "Thank you Mikey. I'm loving it. Quite an experience."

Leading the tributes to the avid motorcyclist, who served across East Northants, is the Deputy Chief Constable of Northants Police, Andy Frost, who described Ms Wood as a 'well-regarded and popular member of the Special Constabulary'.

**'FULL OF LIFE': Tributes have been flooding in for special constable Amanda Wood**

He said in a statement: "It is with great sadness that we today announce the death of a serving Special Constable and staff member who has tragically died while on holiday.

"SPC Amanda Wood was riding her motorcycle back yesterday afternoon from an event in Faro, Portugal, when she was involved in an accident close to the town of Caspe in North Eastern Spain.

"Amanda's family have been informed and a post-mortem was due to take place in the city of Zaragoza later today.

"This is tragic news and on behalf of the Force I send my deepest condolences to Amanda's family and friends.

"Amanda was a well-regarded and popular member of the Special Constabulary as well being the East Northants sector coordinator, based out of Rushden.

"She will be missed by all who knew her and the flag is flying at half-mast at Wootton Hall today as a mark of respect."

Other tributes by colleagues on social media, described her as a person who was 'so full of life' and 'passionate about road safety'.

East Northants inspector, Julie Mead, described her on Twitter with a single hashtag: '#MotherWifeDaughterCopperFriend'.

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# WHAT'SONROUND-UP

# Gritty political world of Thatcher's Dead Sheep

**BY LAWRENCE JOHN**
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**Politics will come to the stage to tell the true story of Margaret Thatcher and how she was brought down by her one time friend and political soul mate, Geoffrey Howe.**

Dead Sheep, the debut play from Jonathan Maitland, is touring the UK and will be coming to Northampton's Royal & Derngate from September 19-24.

It is 1989 and the seemingly invincible Prime Minister Mrs Thatcher has sacked her Foreign Secretary Geoffrey Howe, thinking she had nothing to fear from him; his speaking skills had, famously, been compared to those of a dead sheep.

But inspired by his wife Elspeth – a formidable and witty feminist, whose relationship with Thatcher was notoriously frosty – Howe overcame his limitations to destroy Mrs Thatcher's political career. . . and also his own.

Using imagined dialogue to portray private scenes between the main protagonists, it recreates the events leading up to Howe's famous 1990 speech, in which he criticised Thatcher for undermining policies on economic and monetary union in Europe, ultimately leading to her downfall and resignation.

Dead Sheep will be performed at 7.45pm with matinees at 2.30pm on the Thursday and Saturday.

Tickets, priced from £10 to £29, can be booked by calling the box office on 01604 624811 or visiting www.royalandderngate.co.uk

## County's arts cinema listings this week

**BY NICHOLAS BIEBER**
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**Here are the listings for Northamptonshire arts cinemas this week:**

**Errol Flynn Filmhouse**

■ The Secret Life of Pets *(pictured)*
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Tomorrow-Tuesday

■ Adult Life Skills
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Tomorrow and Saturday

■ Tale of Tales
Tomorrow and Monday

■ Mr Hulot's Holiday
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Sunday

■ Golden Years
Monday and Wednesday

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# WHAT'SONROUND-UP

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**They can be bought by contacting David on 01604 821785.**

# Songs from the Heart with Russell Watson

**BY LAWRENCE JOHN**
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Russell Watson returns to Royal & Derngate on Saturday where he will be joined by Northampton Music and Performing Arts Trust Community Choir, as he performs his Songs from the Heart tour.

Last year was a phenomenal one for Russell with a sell-out UK tour, special guest performances at National Memorial Day in Washington DC, USA, singing live to 350,000 people, the Caracalla Unicef Concert in Rome and BBC Proms In the Park - a staggering total of 92 live performances.

Russell's career to date has seen some incredible achievements.

His debut album The Voice held simultaneous number one slots in the US and UK (a world first), spending a record breaking 52 weeks at the top in the UK, and he has sold in excess of seven million albums and won four Classical BRITS.

This year Russell will be recording a brand new album at Ennio Morricone's studio in Rome. The album will include several original pieces co-written by Russell himself, and he will be joined by an impressive line-up of supporting musicians.

Saturday's performance in Northampton starts at 7.30pm.

Tickets are priced from £31 to £46 and can be booked by calling the box office on 01604 624811 or online at www.royalandderngate.co.uk

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## FRIDAY

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**Isle of Wight Festival guitarists take to stage**
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**Bug Jam 30 at Santa Pod Raceway**
Europe's biggest, best and most popular VW weekend show is back once again with a line-up of both on and off-track action that reflects the history and heritage of this iconic event. There is also music, comedy, nightlife and lifestyle on offer at the event which is on today, tomorrow and Sunday. Weekend tickets from £60. Call 01234 782828 for more information.

## SATURDAY

**Great British Food Festival at Kelmarsh Hall**
The perfect recipe for a fun foodie day out for the family: over 80 top British and artisan producers, a big serving of hot food, a dash of real ale and wine bars, kids cookery lessons and lots of children's activities, top chef demos, stir in a cake competition, a Man vs Food challenge, and live music. Tickets for the event, which runs from 10am to 5pm today and tomorrow, cost £7.50 for adults and £3.50 for children.

## SUNDAY

**Fun Colour Run at Northampton's Abington Park**
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## Oliver!

THE old adage of 'never work with children and animals' has been rightly ignored by director Chris Elmer-Gorry and his team, resulting in an ambitious and utterly professional production of the musical Oliver!

With a cast of 54 young people aged 8-20 years, plus two dogs, 28 beloved musical numbers, a live orchestra and a run of five nights plus matinees (and a schedule that had to accommodate GCSE and A level exams), this was a mammoth undertaking.

The result was a critically-lauded, sell-out show that shows the power and commitment of a talented bunch of young creatives – both on and off stage - who demonstrated that the arts are alive and kicking in the UK.

If this has whetted your appetite for up-and-coming talent, make sure you book for Market Boy, produced by the Royal & Derngate Actors' Company on July 22 and 23.

**By Hilary Scott**

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## Home of chocolate to be rebuilt

EVERY day millions of us buy a bar of Cadbury's chocolate, usually too busy to think about the extraordinary Cadbury family who set up one of the UK's – and arguably the world's – most famous food companies.

The business was started in 1824 by Quaker John Cadbury as a tea, coffee and chocolate shop designed to lure workers in Birmingham away from alcohol.

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The business expanded rapidly when son George Cadbury took over in 1861 and both a new factory and a whole residential area for its workers was built in Birmingham, called Bourneville.

George and his family moved into Northfield Manor, two miles away from the factory – a large former farmhouse where he and his second wife brought up their eleven children.

This property hit the headlines two years ago when it was set alight by arsonists and was then largely demolished by contractors on behalf of Birmingham University, who had owned the property since the mid-1950s.

There was a public outcry and the university have subsequently promised to rebuild the property brick by brick.

To fund this, it has brought in developer Crest Nicholson, which is to build a housing development within its grounds and rebuild Northfield House as an apartment building, although full planning permission has yet to be granted.

## Go back in time with Outlander cottage

THE climax of Amazon Prime's second series of Outlander had fans of Caitriona Balfe's character Claire on the edge of their seats.

Her time travels through 18th century Scotland and later Paris have proved to be gripping drama as author Diana Gabaldon's Outlander novels about the Jacobite revolt have played out on screen, first in 2014 and then again this year.

The locations where the TV series were shot have become tourist attractions in their own right.

The main focus for Outlander tourists is the village of Culross to the east of Dunfermline.

The village, which doubles as Cranesmuir in the TV series, is a 17th century Scottish Royal burgh with cobbled streets and

traditional buildings, many of which featured in the TV series.

Eagle-eyed fans will recognise Rowanbank, a four-bedroom house in the village. It has recently been restored in association with the National Trust for Scotland and features a high-beamed lounge, Norwegian wood-burning stove and a pretty, stone-walled garden at the rear.

It's on the market with Maloco & Associations (01383 285835) for £370,000.

# Is Hoddle set for a return to England?

Following the poor performance of the England football team at Euro 2016 and the resignation of Roy Hodgson, the search is now on for a new manager for the beleaguered team.

And it now looks likely that Glen Hoddle – who was appointed England manager in 1996 but sacked in 1999 – could be offered the job.

Hoddle is one of football's more colourful characters. As well as a distinguished playing career for Tottenham Hotspur, AS Monaco and England, and successful management stints at Swindon Town, Chelsea and England, Hoddle also released a hit pop record, Diamond Lights in 1987.

He's also a very keen golfer and 13 years ago bought a large villa in the Sotogrande golf resort on the Costa del Sol. In 2008 Hoddle established a football academy in Jerez although in 2011 this was relocated to the UK.

But the 59-year-old says he's now looking to move to a new area of Europe to play golf.

His five-bedroom and four-bathroom Sotogrande villa with landscaped gardens and a swimming pool is currently for sale with Chestertons (020 7201 2071, www.chestertons-international.com) for £2,047,920. It comes with beautiful views over Sotogrande's famous golf course as well as a garage for two cars and a games room.

"I love the area and there are some of the most wonderful golf courses in Europe there," he says. "My favourite part of the house is the terrace. I've spent many, many hours chilling and eating with family and friends.

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And this strange looking property illustrates how hard it was. Semaphore House was built in 1821 as part of a signalling system that enabled the Admiralty to communicate with the main channel ports in a matter of seconds, rather than relying on galloping messengers on horseback.

During the late 18th century and early 19th century such a capacity was regarded as essential – Britain was at war with France and the threat of a Napoleonic invasion loomed.

Built on a hill overlooking the Surrey countryside, Semaphore House was one of thirteen towers built in the south of England. The semaphore system, which was invented and named by Frenchman Claude Chappe, used a set of wooden signal boards to communicate messages that were then copied from tower to tower.

The system was incredibly successful and messages could be sent at 300 miles an hour from London to the coast, something even Twitter might struggle to match today. The only downside was the weather – poor visibility rendered it useless.

Semaphore was also short-lived. Just 26 years after it was established, the invention of the electric telegraph made it redundant and in 1850 Semaphore House, which is just outside Guildford, was sold off.

Over the years the property has been a school, church hall and air-raid lookout post but in more recent times it became a holiday home. The four-bedroom property has three bathrooms and four reception rooms and is on the market with Savills (01483 796800) for £2.75 million.

# Downton's Grantham Arms for sale

FOR A lowly village pub, the Grantham Arms plays an amazingly central role in the hit drama Downton Abbey, better known for its chandeliers, high society and silverware than pints on the bar.

The millions of viewers who tuned in to series, which ran for 52 episodes over six series between 2010 and 2015, got used to the comings and goings at the pub – which featured in five episodes.

Most famously, the pub was home to Tom Branson, the Crawley family's chauffer and later son-in-law, played by Allen Leech.

He lodges at the Grantham Arms after his dismissal from Downton Abbey following his engagement to Lady Sybil, played by Jessica Findlay.

The pub carries the arms of the fictional Earl of Grantham which is supposedly in Yorkshire, although many of the locations are in and around Oxfordshire and Berkshire including Downton Abbey (Highclere Castle near Newbury), Yew Tree Farm (Cogges near Witney and Mallerton Hall (Ditchley Park near Kiddlington).

The village of Downton is in reality Bampton-in-the-Bush, five miles west of Oxford. It has frequently featured in the TV series and Mayville, a honey-coloured semi-detached house on Church Close, was dressed up to look like the pub.

The owners retain the original Grantham Arms pub sign that used to hang outside the front door during filming.

The house overlooks the village's main church and has four bedrooms and a courtyard garden and is for sale via agent Scottfraser (01993 705507) for £450,000.

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"There are many reasons why people want to sell their homes as quickly as possible," says **Kelly Bryan Branch Manager** for Connells. "For many, it's down to personal circumstances such as relocating for work, while some have set their sights on a dream home and need to secure a sale on their current property before putting in an offer.

"Whatever the reason, Connells' 'Six Week Challenge' is designed to help these individuals achieve a sale in a short time frame," adds **Kelly**. We've run this campaign before with much success and this year, it looks better than ever. We have got lots of marketing activity planned to support it, including high profile window and branch displays, emails to registered buyers and mailers to raise awareness. Every property in the campaign will be highlighted on our website and we'll be holding power phone outs in the branch to promote Six Week Challenge properties, so I would urge anyone wanting to move quickly to contact us at the branch and achieve winning results in just six weeks."

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**Further information**

For further information and photography, please contact the press office on 01525 218536 or email Lucy Walsh, Group PR Manager: or Isabelle Thompson, Group PR Executive: isabelle.thompson@connells.co.uk

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# Merc's live van brochure

BY IAN JOHNSON

PROVING the light commercials van market is really driving ahead, the Mercedes-Benz VanExperience Live event welcomed more than 2,500 guests – an all-time record for the brand.

In its 13th year, the event, held at Millbrook Proving Ground in Bedfordshire, saw 241 Mercedes-Benz Vans available for guests to put through their paces across key sections of the site, including the famous off-road track, high-speed bowl and Alpine Circuit.

Open for all van operators, VanExperience Live took place across 10 days with three main hands-on demonstration areas to help guests assess how Mercedes-Benz Vans perform in all areas.

There was a full range drive to experience the entire product line-up, and compare them directly with competitor test vehicles.

In addition there was a challenging off-road course to show the skills of the Sprinter 4x4 and 6x6 vehicles plus a safety-focused activity, including handling on the all-new wet grip experience.

With experts on-hand throughout the event, guests used their time at VanExperience Live to fully understand the range of products and services offered by Mercedes-Benz Vans and how the brand is keeping business moving.

The event also focused on maximising uptime for vehicles, including discussions and demonstrations on: MobiloVan free roadside assistance; accessories to personalise any Mercedes-Benz van; genuine parts and their importance; and the adaptable finance and insurance solutions to suit customers' requirements.

A complete display of vehicles was also available to access, including vans from more than 41 body builder and conversion exhibitors to show how flexible a van can be.

A total of 46,500 miles were travelled during the two week event, with 23,620 cups of tea and coffee and 1,136 litres of milk drunk, and 1,480 Danish pastries and 7,730 sausage, bacon and egg rolls consumed in the morning.

For lunch 1,960 chicken breasts were served, alongside 320kg of beef and 3,500 punnets of strawberries.

Summing up the occasion Steve Bridge, managing director, Mercedes-Benz Vans UK, said: "VanExperience Live is like no other LCV-focused event in the UK. We pride ourselves on providing our guests with the ultimate test drive; a real-life brochure to better understand our products, people, and processes that we adopt to keep businesses moving.

"The great British weather didn't even put a dampener on the event, as we had nearly 1,000 additional guests attending compared to VanExperience Live 2015, which is a fantastic achievement and a sign of how popular it is."


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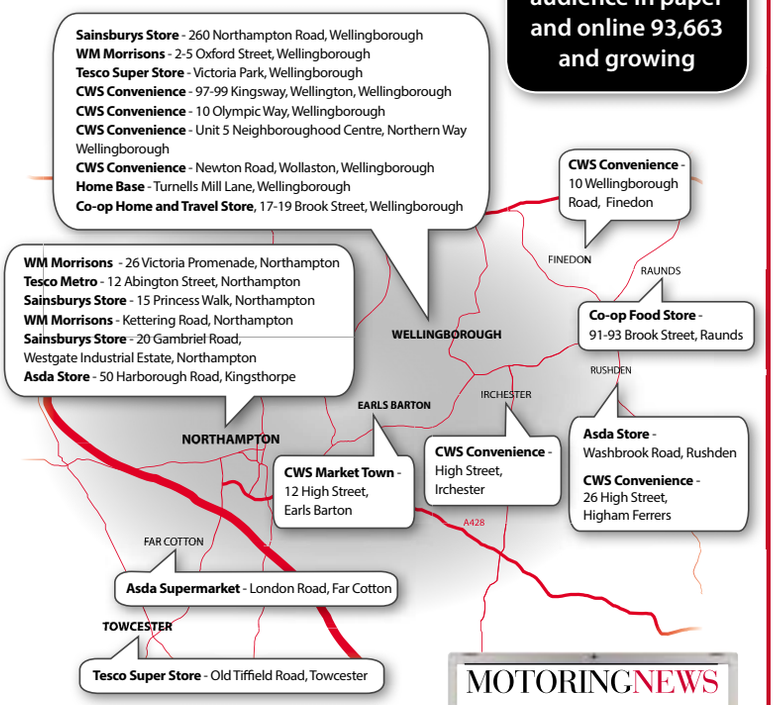


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# Toyota Prius

## Take a look inside. . .

**BY JOHN MURDOCH**

YOU might not like the looks of the new Toyota Prius but you will certainly be impressed by its engineering and technology.

The Prius famously started the hybrid revolution and quickly became the vehicle of choice for environmentally-conscious drivers who wanted to reduce their running costs. To be honest, I have never really been a fan of hybrids, so I was pleasantly surprised by the improvements the new car delivers.

You will either like or hate the sharp styling but they are all there for a reason - to reduce drag for greater efficiency.

The Prius sits on a brand new platform which will be used in a raft of new Toyotas and all the big parts - engine, gearbox, electric motor and battery pack have been considerably improved.

Toyota is claiming new benchmarks in fuel economy, emissions and efficiency from the new car, which is cleaner than ever.

The Prius is able to operate in petrol and electric modes as well as in a combination of both.

When you set off gently, it automatically operates in EV mode, using electric motor power alone and if you are on the morning commute it will crawl along nicely just using battery power. When the time comes to go quicker the petrol engine cuts in and does the business.

The interior is much improved and the Excel model tested offers stacks of kit. The equipment list includes dual-zone climate control, leather upholstery and heated front seats, a head-up display, dusk-sensing headlights, rain-sensing wipers, smart entry and start, park assist, wireless phone charger and a 10 speaker audio system.

You also get Toyota Touch 2 with Go PLus which included a 7in touchscreen, DAB radio and CD player, satnav, a text to speech function SMS text and email display, advanced Bluetooth, WiFi hotspot and access to online services.

The Prius also has all the latest safety features including hill-start assist, a blind spot monitor, tyre pressure warning system and Toyota's pre-collision system with pedestrian detection.

There is a high tech feel to the cabin and while the Prius is not a sporting drive, it is smooth, quiet and refined. Prices start from £23,295 and the top of the range test car came in at £27,450 before adding £495 for hypersonic red paint.

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# Motoring News

## Jeep Wrangler birthday special

By: Stewart Smith

JEEP has announced changes to its popular and successful Wrangler range of SUV models, including an uprated engine and a special edition 75th birthday model. Jeep Wrangler's existing 2.8-litre diesel engine has been updated to meet Euro 6 emission standards while the car has been given a series of important and valuable updates. In addition, and to celebrate the iconic 4x4 brand's 75th birthday, Jeep has also revealed details of a 75th Anniversary limited edition Wrangler for the UK. The car was first revealed at the Geneva Motor Show in March. The 75th Anniversary is based on the Overland level model and features several key differences, including unique exterior styling and part-leather interiors. The outside has a bronze-finished front grille and 18-inch alloy wheels, body-coloured dual top, Mopar slush mats, unique bronze and orange Jeep badging, and a special 75th Anniversary badge. It comes in either Bright White, Solid Black or Sarge Green paint finishes and inside it gets "1941" embossed leather heated seats in black or saddle brown and tangerine bronze accents on air vents and grab handles. The special is also fitted with sat nav plus an Alpine premium sound system and deep tinted sunscreen glass. Prices for the birthday models start at £34,765 for the 2-door 2.8 CRD Auto rising to £36,435 for the four-door 3.6 V6 Auto. Wrangler Sahara, Overland and Rubicon models have been given new kit, including front side airbags, deep-tint sunscreen glass, 18-inch Rubicon satin alloy wheels, Mopar slush mats and black, heated leather seats. The Jeep Wrangler range now starts at £31,840 for the two-door Sahara 2.8 CRD Auto, rising to £34,910 for the four-door Rubicon 3.6 V6 Auto.

## British car workers ' best in Europe'

By: Robin Roberts

WORKERS in UK motor vehicle manufacturing are the most efficient in Europe, according to leading automotive economist Professor Garel Rhys. The former head of Cardiff Business School and President of the Centre for Automotive Industry Research Cardiff University, Prof Rhys also said Europe has more to loose if it "rashly" introduces tariffs on trade. "Official figures for UK motor industry employment is 162,000 in 2015 which gives productivity figure of 10.5 vehicles-per-employee," said Prof Rhys. "This order of magnitude of productivity explains why, in gross value added per head, UK motor industry employment efficiency is the highest in Europe." To this industrial figure must be added employees in components manufacturing, motor retail, service and repair, logistic companies and related support services which bring the overall total to 814,000, he added. "The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, to increase its political clout a few years ago lumped all the employees into one figure but this backfired on them when you then divided that total into the number of vehicles made which suggested UK motor manufacturing was highly inefficient compared to the rest of Europe and last year it would have been 2.1 vehicles per employee. "Luckily this is not the case and when you use the official figure of 162,000 industry workers in 2015 it gives a productivity figure of 10.5 vehicles-per-employee, the highest in Europe," he said. Prof Rhys, who is chairman of the Welsh Automotive Forum added that not only was UK vehicle production efficient the

best in Europe but the nature of the industry meant Germany was heavily reliant on it as a customer base for components and manufacturing. "Imports from the EU dominate the UK vehicle sales market, and 60 per cent of the value of systems and components used to make British cars are mainly imported from the EU," he said. "Ultimately, almost 40 per cent of the UK market is in the hands of Germany and any tariffs introduced by the EU after Brexit, would severely hurt their industrial bases on the Continent, both supplying parts and then receiving completed vehicles which are exported. It makes no sense."

## SKODA TOPS FOR RELIABILITY

By: Stewart Smith

CZECH car maker Skoda has topped the ranks of automotive brands for vehicle dependability in the UK. The company has recorded back-to-back victories in the J.D. Power UK Vehicle Dependability Study with two models, the Fabia and Yeti, topping their sector for quality and reliability. The study measured problems experienced during the past 12 months by original owners of vehicles in the UK after 12-36 months of ownership. The findings were based on responses from more than 13,000 owners of 2013-2015 models.

J.D. Power examined 177 problem symptoms across eight categories: engine and transmission; vehicle exterior; driving experience; features/controls/displays, audio/communication/entertainment/navigation, seats, heating, ventilation and cooling and vehicle interior. Overall dependability was determined by the number of problems experienced per 100 vehicles with a lower score reflecting higher quality. Skoda ranked the highest for vehicle dependability with a score of 66 – an even better result than the brand recorded in last year. The overall industry average was 113 problems per 100 vehicles. The 2016 survey also studied vehicle dependability in key sectors and, once again, Skoda models were at the top of two categories. The Fabia was ranked at the most dependable car in the Small Car category, while the Yeti finished top of the Compact SUV sector. The Octavia also performed well, finishing second in the Compact Car category. In the overall J. D. Power study, Suzuki ranked second with 79 PP100, followed by Kia with 80 PP100; Vauxhall with 90 PP100; and Peugeot and Volkswagen in a tie with 92 PP100 each. The overall industry average is 113 PP100, a slight improvement from 114 PP100 in 2015. After the Fabia and Yeti, the Ford B-MAX, Kia Picanto, Mercedes-Benz E-Class, Toyota Auris and Vauxhall Insignia were the most dependable models in their respective classes.

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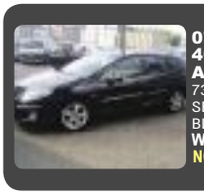

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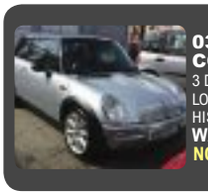

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## MAZDA2 HAS RED LETTER DAY

By: Stewart Smith

MAZDA is offering a special edition supermini but only 400 versions of this up-market Mazda2 are being offered - and it goes on sale from September 1. It's called the Mazda2 Red Edition and is based on the 90bhp SE-L Nav Mazda2 model. The special comes with extra equipment and offered with a choice of Snowflake White Pearlescent or Black Mica paint, and the Red Edition's design cues include 'Soul Red' accents on the wing mirror covers, rear spoiler and rear underskirt and the sporty look can be enhanced with optional £300 Dark Gunmetal 15-inch alloy wheels. Inside, the red theme continues with red cloth seat trim, red knee pad inserts and red door trim inserts, while a red and white panel on the dash adds a large sweep of colour across the dash. Power comes from Mazda's 90bhp 1.5-litre SKYACTIV-G petrol engine which is rated at 62.8mpg and CO2 emissions of 105g/km. The Red Edition is priced from £14,995 which is £600 more than the regular model

## SCOTLAND'S MISSING E-TYPE FOUND By: Mike Torpey

A missing Jaguar E-Type, one of the most sought-after early examples of the model, has been discovered in Scotland and will go under the hammer at the Silverstone Classic on July 30-31. The location of the 1961 Jaguar E-Type Series 1 Roadster, chassis #62 and one of the first 92 right-hand models produced, has been a mystery to classic car historians for decades. With most of the first 20 cars produced being allocated for competition use, the first road cars - distinguished by their outside bonnet locks - were supplied in July 1961 to Jaguar dealerships to be used as demonstrators. This car was dispatched to Scotland that month via Henleys of London for demo use in the Edinburgh area and was eventually acquired by its fifth and current owner in 2013 - a resident of Deskford, Moray, who was unaware that he was in possession of this 'Holy Grail' car. Now to be offered on the open market for the first time, and reinstated as a surviving early example with its Jaguar Heritage Certificate, Chassis #62 will go to auction with a sale estimate of between £140,000 and £170,000.

## NEW FIAT QUBO FOR THE UK By: Stewart Smith

FIAT'S little Qubo MPV has been given a major update and is going on sale in the UK with new-look styling and a more up-market interior. The latest Qubo retains its supermini-size 3.96-metre long and 1.7-metre wide dimensions with room for five adults and a large 250-litre boot – which grows to 650 litres when the parcel shelf is out or 2,500 litres with the rear seats removed. It can also be equipped with an optional folding front passenger seat allowing long objects of up to 2.5-metres to be carried. The Qubo has a new exterior look with larger, high-mounted headlamps plus a new front grille and chunky new front bumper. Trekking versions - with greater ground clearance and an advanced traction system to give more all-weather capability - also get new skid plates panels in the front and rear bumpers, as well as special side mouldings, both with silver inserts, and special Trekking alloy wheels with mud-and-snow tyres. The interior on all versions is improved with new steering wheel design, black mirror-finish detailing on the steering wheel spokes and centre console surround, new instruments, new seat upholstery and new infotainment options including a new Uconnect system with a five-inch colour touchscreen and Bluetooth connectivity, USB and aux-in ports as well as the option of satellite navigation. It will be offered in three trim levels: Pop, Lounge and Trekking with standard equipment on the entry level Pop model including remote central locking, electric front windows, electrically adjusted door mirrors, body coloured bumpers and mirror covers, height-adjustable driver's seat with lumbar support and an arm rest and opening rear quarter-light windows. The Pop version is powered by Fiat's 77bhp 1.4-litre petrol engine, the Lounge comes with an 80bhp 1.3-litre MultiJet II turbo diesel power pack or the 1.4 petrol, and the Trekking version comes with a 95bhp 1.3-litre MultiJet II turbo diesel. Price for the Pop is £11,695, the Lounge starts at £12,695 and the Trekking comes in at £16,695

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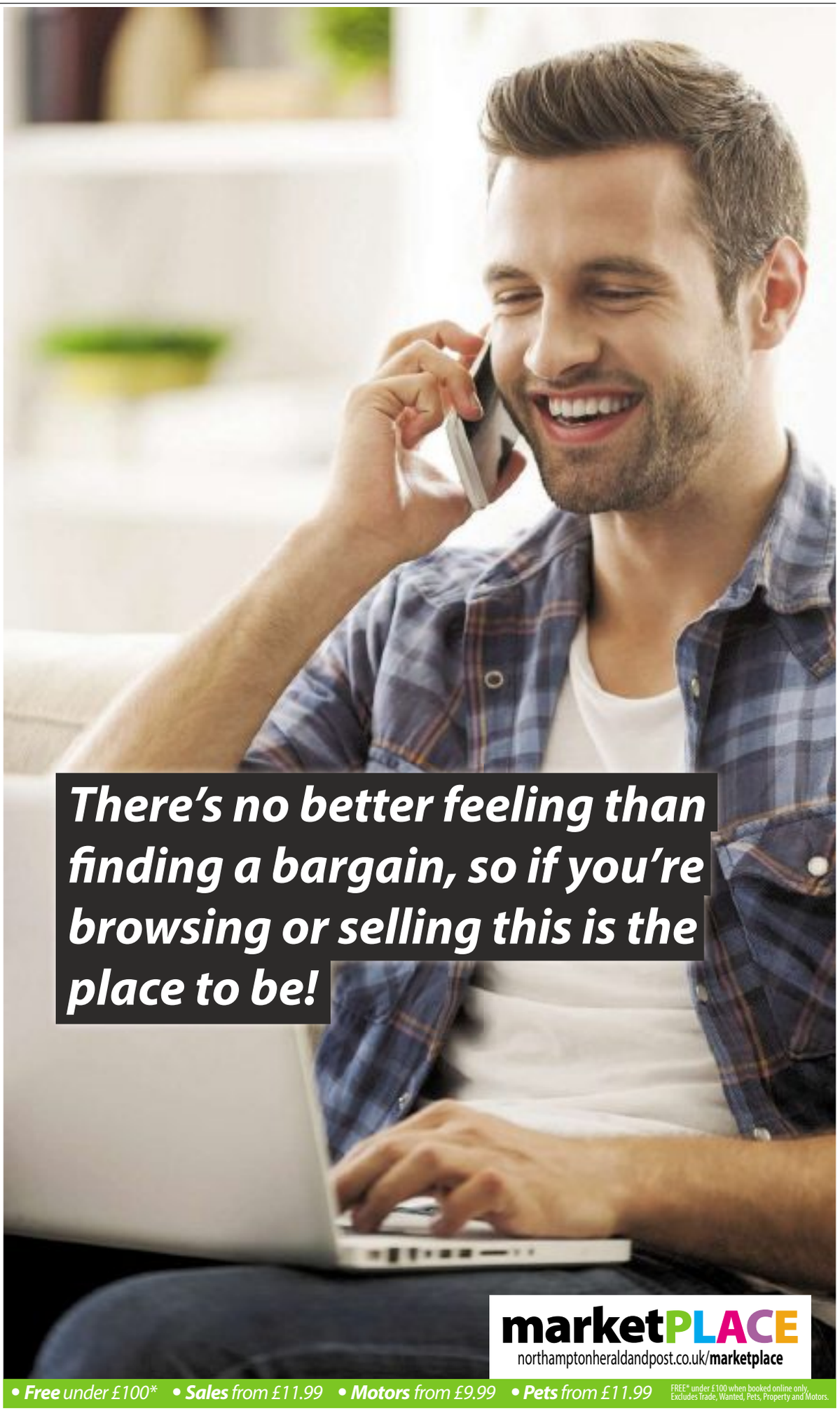

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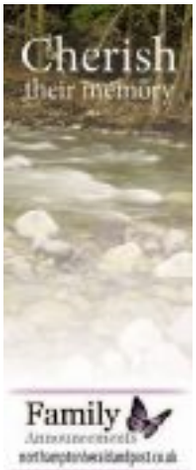


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**NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**

*TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015*
*NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13*
*PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990*
*THE TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2011*

**N/2016/0298** **Land For Heritage Park, The Causeway**
Erection of Phase 1 of new Northamptonshire Heritage Centre including parking and new access road. Application does not accord with the provisions of the development plan. Major Application.

**N/2016/0812** **Princess Marina Hospital, Weedon Road, Upton**
Reserved matters application for nine dwellings and block of six flats and associated works (pursuant to outline planning permission 11/0041/REPWNN) Major Application

**N/2016/0825** **Malcolm Arnold Academy Secondary School, Trinity Avenue**
Variation of conditions 10 & 12 of N/2015/0334 - Erection of two storey new primary school with external play areas and car park - to allow the conditions relating to highway works to the roundabout to be discharged by September 2017. Major Application

**N/2016/0829** **Land At Former British Timken Site, Main Road, Duston**
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**N/2016/0832** **9 Colwyn Road**
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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (WELLINGBOROUGH DISTRICT) (WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND ON-STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2009 (AMENDMENT No. 14) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council propose to make an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 32, 35 to 39 and 45 to 55 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (Wellingborough District) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2009"as specified in the Schedule below.

**A COPY** of the proposed Order, together with plans showing the exact lengths of roads to which it relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be inspected at WellingboroughLibrary, Pebble Lane, Wellingboroughduring normal opening times or at Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road Northampton during normal office hours.

**OBJECTIONS** to the proposed Orders, stating the grounds on which they are made should be sent in writing to the Traffic Orders Section, Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton, NN1 5NX by11th August 2016.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (NORTHAMPTON ROAD, BLISWORTH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Northampton Road, Blisworth as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Northampton Road, Blisworth from Station Road for a distance of 180 metres northbound.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during bridge inspection.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 31st July 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted for one day.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Towcester Road, Gayton Road, North Street, Banbury Lane, Bugbrooke Road, Back Lane, Blisworth Road, Gayton Road, Chapel Lane and High Street.

Dated this 21st day of July 2016
QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Law & Governance
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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (NORTHFIELD ROAD, DUSTON) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Northfield Road, Duston as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Northfield Road, Duston from Eastfield Road to Firsview Drive.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 2nd August 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

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**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Eldean Road, Main Road and Eastfield Road.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (CHURCH WAY & SILVERSTONE ROAD, WHITTLEBURY) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

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**LENGTHS OF ROADS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: Those lengths of Church Way and Silverstone Road, Whittlebury from Towcester Road to Whittlebury parish boundary.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway repairs and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st August 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to two days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Whittlebury Road and A413 Towcester Road.

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## Local Authority Notices

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (TRINITY AVENUE, NORTHAMPTON)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

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**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Trinity Avenue, Northampton from St Georges Avenue to Balfour Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during installation of pedestrians refuge and footway build outs.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 25th July 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to two weeks.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use St Georges Avenue and Kingsley Terrace.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BURCOTE ROAD, WOOD BURCOTE)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Burcote Road, Wood Burcote as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Burcote Road, Wood Burcote.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during installation of new Anglian Water connection.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 26th July 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to three days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use A43, Brackley Road, Springfields and Highfields.

Dated this 21st day of July 2016

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Law & Governance

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (RICHMOND ROAD, TOWCESTER)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Richmond Road, Towcester as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Richmond Road, Towcester from A5 for a distance of approximately 30 metres to entrance to car park.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required for safety during repairs to damaged Anglian Water sewer.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 27th July 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to five days.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use A5, Brackley Road and Queen Street or Pomfret Road depending on direction of travel.

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## Local Authority Notices

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (HARTWELL ROAD, ASHTON)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Hartwell Road, Ashton as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:** That length of Hartwell Road, Ashton from Cooks Close to Road to Bozenham Mill Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during bridge inspection works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 7th August 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the road will be restricted for one day.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Ashton Road, Hartwell Road, High Street, Stratford Road, Northampton Road, Ashton Road and Stoke Road.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14**
**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (MAIN ROAD, SHUTLANGER)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Main Road, Shutlanger as set out below.

**LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES**: That length of Main Road, Shutlanger from Water Lane to Showsley Road.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION**: The restriction is required safety during traffic calming construction and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE**: The proposed Order will come into effect on 15th August 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION**: It is expected that the road will be restricted up to the 26th of August 2016.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** use Shutlanger Road, Stoke Road, High Street, Towcester Road, A43, A5 and Shutlanger Road.

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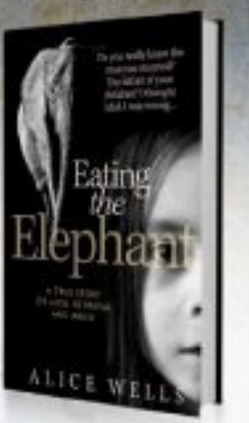


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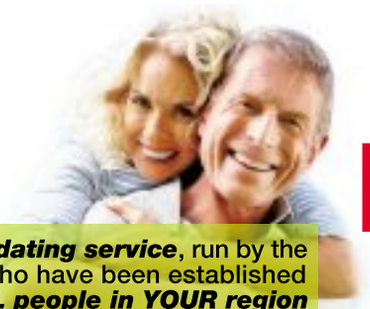

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## female seeking

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**FELICITY**, well educated, sophisticated lady, 38yrs, unhappily married and looking for a distraction with a man 30+, must be discreet. **Text Only Box: 4023417**

**CAROL,** 44, brunette with plenty of spare time on her hands seeks special mature male for fun times together. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423057**

**FEMALE,** kind, loving, honest, caring, no attachments to any other man , I am looking for a kind, loving, honest, caring male, somebody with no attachment to another woman, white and rich. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422469**

**SABINA,** 35, outgoing attractive brunette, fit and carefree just looking for fun times without complications, maybe more later. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423003**

**KATHY** 40ish, passionate, outgoing, adventurous red haired lady looking for adventure, seeks tall good looking guy for a relaxed no strings relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423005**

**ALISON,** lonely shy blue eyed blonde, 46, just wanting to be loved, looking for caring man to pamper in return for mutual TLC. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422859**

**FEMALE,** 33, blue eyes, long blonde hair, pretty, slim, looking for Asian man to have some discreet no strings fun with. **Text only Mailbox: 5495296**

**BARBARA,** 44, friendly and outgoing but lonely, seeking similar lonely male to pamper, enjoy fun times and affection with. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422839**

**SHEILA,** beautiful lady, the colour of the sun, I am brown, I am looking for somebody caring, honest, loving, solvent, somebody who wants a serious relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422689**

**MAUREEN,** 38, pretty brunette, new to the area and very lonely, looking to meet someone understanding for convenient friendship, 30-60yrs. Can travel. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422815**

**ANNE,** 40, pretty professional fun female with great curves, looking for fun and romance with down to earth male looking for similar. Any age/status. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422711**

**CILLA,** 40, tall blue eyed size 12 brunette, loves horses, country/beach walks, cosy nights in front of fire, good wine/food, WLTM similar male who appreciates my interests. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422009**

**JULIE,** petite, slim, attractive blonde young looking early 40's, enjoys winning, dining, theatre seeking good looking romantic male, 45-55, for mutual spoiling. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422709**

**ATTRACTIVE** female, 52, blue eyes, slim, outgoing seeks dark haired male for nights in or out, loves cooking and outdoors. **Text only Mailbox: 5475229**

**TINA,** 43, young looking attractive single female looking for love, with similar lonely heart resorting to advertising in the hope of finding love. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 421613**

**SARA** 34yr old single mum looking for a genuine male to make me laugh again and help put the spark back into my life. Looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422541**

**ATTRACTIVE** Suffolk mid forties female seeks male, 39-59, for coastal walks, dog walking and motor sports. Must have GSOH! **Text only Mailbox: 5482094**

**JO** 45, hardworking nurse with crazy sense of humour, looking for fun male with plenty of ideas to spice up her spare time. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422545**

**FEMALE,** looking for an honest, caring, easygoing male. I am divorced and like walks, going for meals, cinema and love dogs. **Text only Mailbox: 4539974**

**JOANNE,** 48, curvy black female, likes cooking, cinema, socialising, seeking friendship leading to LTR, must be honest, romantic, caring and loyal and have a GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422633**

**PAT,** petite blonde lady, GSOH, young looking for her age, seeks genuine gent any age with GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422393**

**BIRMINGHAM** female 65, smoker, likes music, cinema, theatre, meals out, WLTM male 66 - 73 for LTR. **Text only Mailbox: 5474599**

**CARING** honest female WLTM genuine guy for LTR in Glos/Bristol area. Text mail box only. **Text only Mailbox: 4209465**

**FEMALE** seeks male to wine and dine me, and treat me like a lady, aged between 50 and 60. **Text only Mailbox: 5444151**

**RITA, ,** seeks a genuine male for friendship, days out, she's very friendly, genuine and social, give her a call ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422403**

## male seeking

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**YOUNG** looking 30s male, five foot eight, slim, blonde hair, blue-eyes, looking for naughty 40s female, for adult fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 420513**

**BEN**, kind caring gent, 37yrs, very tall and well built with curly black hair. Own home, good job, just missing a special lady. **Text Only Box: 4158248**

**MALE** wishes to meet female, early to late 50s for nights in and nights out. **Text only Mailbox: 4371824**

**WILLIAM,** 65 and young looking, fit and active, WLTM a slim, attractive Chinese/Asian lady, 35-50, for LTR and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423041**

**TALL** attractive male, 56, looking to meet a mature woman, size 18 plus, any age, for close fun times. **Text only Mailbox: 5410860**

**ROGER** young minded, 67, very adventurous, looking for a lady 40 years old upwards who is smart and would like to enjoy times with me. **Text only Mailbox: 5350823**

**BOB** young at heart active 66 yr old widower, genuine, honest, caring and considerate gent with a good SOH WLTM a genuine lady, similar age. **Text only Mailbox: 5503258**

**MATURE** male seeking fun times, Coventry area. **Text only Mailbox: 4830151**

**BILL,** 65, young looking, very fit and active, own home and business, lives in nice village, likes most things in life, looking for an Asian/Chinese lady, 35-45, looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 423081**

**IAN,** 56, kind hearted, likes anything in life, WLTM female early to late 50s. **Text only Mailbox: 4371824**

**MALE,** 71, fit, smart, seeks Cambs, Suffolk, Norfolk lady, for days in and out, fun times, friendship and maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 420929**

**TALL** male 56, seeks close adult fun with open-minded woman, 40 to 75, any status or size. **Text only Mailbox: 5410860**

**52** yr old male, average build, fit. lonely, seeks a lady for fun times, LTR, soul mate, or discreet dates, can travel. **Text only Mailbox: 5418572**

**MALE** 68, easygoing, semi retired, likes walking, cinema, eating out, driving, watching most sports, WLTM lady 55+. **Text only Mailbox: 4856527**

**MALE,** 72, smart, fit, enjoys life, country walks and the coast, pub lunches, fun to be with, seeks similar female, Cambridge/Suffolk/Norfolk areas preferred. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422995**

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**MICHAEL,** from Cambridge, 5ft8, looking for a lady who would like a good time. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 422979**

**MID** 50's male, seeks attractive, black female, any age for relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 384483**

**SMART** nice looking, professional male, OHAC/business, N/S, seeks female, 40-55 for love, romance and LTR. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 392827**

**ATTRACTIVE** male, own home/business, seeking LTR with lady wanting to be loved in a away she deserves. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 396257**

**LIKEABLE** easy going honest white male, slim build, likes sport, country walks, music, theatre, pubs, eating out WLTM attractive lady for friendship/relationship. **Text only Mailbox: 5489438**

**SINGLE** male 50 medium build looking for someone to show me the ropes age between 60 – 85, txt only. **Text only Mailbox: 5423010**

## gay seeking

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**BI** male 59 seeks males 40 to 65 for friendship near Tamworth. **Text only Mailbox: 4355756**

**58YR** old slim, Northampton bi male, seeks similar bi/CD male for fun times. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 399445**

**50YR** old bi male, seeks bi/CD for lots of fun and games. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 405835**

**ATTRACTIVE** bi male, 60, seeks similar bi/CD for fun times. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 406035**

**60YR** old bi male, looking for similar bi/CD male in Northampton area only for fun times. **Tel No: 0906 515 4432 Box No: 406401**

**63YR** old bi male seeks Asian male for lots of fun times. **Text only Mailbox: 4172093**

**GAY** feminine female, blue eyes, GSOH, WLTM caring fem female for friendship or LTR. No children . **Text only Mailbox: 5448522**

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## Duckett hammers 163 on Lions debut

LETTING RIP: Ben Duckett on Lions duty

CRICKET

**Northamptonshire batsman Ben Duckett produced a stunning debut performance for the England Lions, by smashing an unbeaten century in their seven-wicket victory over Pakistan A on Tuesday.**

**The 21-year-old earned his first Lions call-up off the back of an excellent 12 months that have seen him strike six hundreds in the County Championship, as well as his first ton in List-A cricket.**

**It's fair to say he seized his opportunity with both hands at Cheltenham, by hammering 163 not out off just 104 balls, including 24 fours and four sixes, in helping the Lions comfortably chase down Pakistan's 244 all out in 36.2 overs.**

**Duckett's amazing knock came a matter of hours before Northants reached the quarter finals of the T20 Blast, meaning the day was an extremely successful one for the county.**

**His head coach at Northants David Ripley was suitably impressed, saying: "I'm very proud of what he's done. His selection is good – we wanted them to acknowledge how well he's playing in all formats.**

**"That's the thing with Ben; he's had such a good season in all formats. He's got going in the 50-over competition for the Lions, but to have that much influence on the game is outstanding and credit to him. He's really going to open some eyes there, in terms of stepping up to the next level. He's got to have done with a performance like that."**

**Duckett will be playing on familiar turf on Thursday, as the Lions' latest match against Sri Lanka A takes place at Wantage Road.**

HEAT IS ON: Graeme White was explosive with the ball for Northants in taking 4-20

# Hat-trick hero White blows Bears away on hottest day

CRICKET

**Northamptonshire Steelbacks 200-5 beat Birmingham Bears 126 by 74 runs**

**BY MATT WRIGHT**
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**Graeme White admitted he wasn't aware he was on a hat-trick in taking one during Northamptonshire Steelbacks' 74-run thrashing of Birmingham Bears in the NatWest T20 Blast.**

White claimed magnificent figures of 4-20 as Northants reached the quarter finals for the third time in four seasons in style by dominating with both bat and ball.

The Bears collapsed after losing their captain Ian Bell for 63 off 39 balls as they chased the host's impressive 200-5 at Wantage Road, with White taking three wickets in three balls as part of six that fell for just seven runs towards the end of the match.

The left-arm spinner's lack of awareness of his hat-trick probably stems from the fact that it came across two overs, as he trapped Ateeq Javid lbw at the end of the 14th before dismissing Jeetan Patel and Keith Barker with the first two deliveries of the 16th.

White said: "I wasn't aware of it – I was kind of in the moment because I was out on the boundary fielding and just kind of concentrating out there. We knew Ian Bell was a big wicket, he always is, he's a quality player and I kind of wasn't really paying attention to it.

"I was just trying to get in and out of my over, trying to work out what they didn't want to face and it all came off nicely tonight."

There were other star performers on what was a terrific night for Northants in front of the Sky Sports cameras, with wicketkeeper Adam Rossington smashing his best T20 score of 85 off 51 balls.

Captain Alex Wakely pushed them towards their second biggest T20 total at Wantage Road with 53 not out off just 23 deliveries, while Rory Kleinveldt and Seekkuge Prasanna claimed three wickets apiece.

Northants head coach David Ripley said: "These guys [Birmingham] have caught us on two good days where we've put an all-round game together.

"Between the two games here and at Edgbaston, Birmingham have kind of seen the best of us, so those two performances stand out.

"But we were very good tonight – maybe with a bit more pressure with the bad week and losing a couple of games. To end that run in such an emphatic way was really good."

Despite their impressive performances in this competition this season, this was the first of their matches to be televised and Ripley can't understand why Sky Sports haven't shown more of an interest in his side.

He said: "I haven't been on the telly today, but I'm a little disappointed because we've got some good young players here and good seasoned professionals in a good team.

"Ben Duckett showed that in the [England] Lions environment and we've shown that tonight so to be on the TV for the first time this season tonight in game 12 seems a little bit strange."

# ONs women just miss final

RUGBY SEVENS

Lucy Juffkins insists her Old Northamptonians side can hold their heads up high despite falling just short of the inaugural 24/Sevens national final last week.

Old Northamptonians headed to Saracens' Allianz Park on July 10 for the South East play-offs having enjoyed success at the Olney 7s, one of 32 local qualifier tournaments earlier this summer.

Run by England Rugby, 24/Sevens is an exciting new community sevens series that aims to grow rugby and increase participation among men and women in clubs. The winners of the regional play-offs now progress to the showpiece national grand final event which will be held on Sunday, hosted by England Rugby back at Allianz Park.

And while ONs were unable to book their name at the final having failed to come out on top in north London, Juffkins believes there were still plenty of encouraging signs from her team.

"We've played our hearts out, the girls have put their all in and that's all you can ask for from the team at anything," she said. "We're the underdogs – we were only there because the Olney winners are all on a hen-do – but we gave a fantastic account of ourselves and the whole team can be really proud.

"Sevens is about having a laugh and doing the fun on the pitch too. The season never really stops now, I love it, sevens is my main game and to be able to play with your mates is fantastic.

"You get to run more too, which is very pleasing as a back."

Juffkins was already looking forward to seeing the team grow going forwards.

"Before I went to uni, the girls never had a sevens team, we've seen it grown so much which is fantastic, it's great fun to be part of," she added.

BAND OF SISTERS: Old Northamptonians women at Allianz Park

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# Revell rides to rescue, but much for Town to work on

COBBLERS

NORTHAMPTON TOWN 1
QUEENS PARK RANGERS 1

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**Alex Revell hit a fine late goal to rescue a draw for Northampton Town against Championship side Queens Park Rangers.**

Nasser El-Kyayati appeared to have won the game for the Hoops with a late strike past Smith, but in virtually the Cobblers' only shot on goal Revell made it level.

Boss Rob Page's starting line-up in his first game at Sixfields mostly featured players from last season's title winning squad, plus youth graduate Shaun McWilliams.

New signings Gabriel Zakuani and Aaron Phillips lined up in defence, while there was also a starting berth for trialist and former Spurs academy player Emmanuel Sonupe.

QPR boss Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink named a stong side, including Nedum Onuoha, Steven Caulker, Karl Henry and James Perch.

The first half saw very little in the way of goalmouth action, with the Cobblers opting to keep things tight at the back.

Long-range efforts from Tjaronn Chery proved the only threats on Adam Smith's goal – in a rather tepid opening period that proved the very definition of 'pre-season friendly'.

Goals did eventually arrive late on to entertain the punters, with substitute Nasser El-Kyayati curling home for QPR, before the fine volley from Alex Revell restored parity.

Here are a few things we learned from the game.

FIGHTING BACK: Alex Revell celebrates his late equaliser in the Cobblers' first home pre-season friendly

### The Gaffer

Page opted for a 4-1-4-1 formation tonight with Shaun McWilliams shielding the back four.

Town certainly looked more solid at the back, and the central defence partnership of Diamond and Zakuani made some great tackles and clearances.

The flip side to this was that the front players - Richards in the first half and Revell in the second - looked completely isolated and had virtually no support. Revell's goal came from virtually the only shot.

Perhaps after two defeats Page set his side up to be more solid tonight. It did the trick - but at the cost of effective football going forward.

### On the plus side

Perhaps the positive from the night was the Cobblers back line. In the main they defended pretty well and looked organised.

Zander Diamond and Gabriel Zakuani both made goal-saving challenges and David Buchanan was as vocal as ever.

The one poor bit of defending actually came from a lack of pressing from the midfield, which led to El-Kyayati having too much time to slot home the goal for QPR.

### Could be better

One of the bugbears from tonight's game for Rob Page will have been the lapses in concentration on the ball. It may be pre-season, but a few too many times today players were caught in possession on the halfway line and gifted chances to QPR.

Joel Byrom was in the guilty party twice, but was not the only culpable player on that front during the game.

Page will be hoping to iron out these mistakes. He'll also be hoping the side can create more chances in the next few pre-season games.

### Man of the match

Academy graduate McWilliams did his chances of gatecrashing the first team no harm on the night in an assured display.

Deployed by Rob Page as a defensive midfielder shielding the back four, he didn't look out of place against Championship quality opponents.

Post-match Page praised the youngster, and although saying he had a lot to learn, admitted he was a fan of the 'nasty streak' that gives him an edge.

## Zakuani praises tighter defending

BUILDING UP: Zakuani played the full game

COBBLERS

Gabriel Zakuani was pleased with Northampton's improved defensive display in their 1-1 draw against Championship side Queens Park Rangers on Tuesday night.

The Cobblers went into their first home pre-season friendly of the summer off the back of a 4-2 defeat at Brackley Town, of the National League North, in which they were all over the place at the back.

While they weren't able to pose much of an attacking threat against QPR, there was a big reduction in the amount of unforced, individual errors that dogged them last weekend.

Zakuani, who played the full 90 minutes, arrived at Sixfields from local rivals Peterborough just under a month ago and gave a clear indication in the match that he is already starting to settle in.

He said: We were all disappointed with the last couple of defeats that we've had, so we stepped it up today and enjoyed it. They had a lot of the ball but we kept it disciplined and 1-1 was a fair result.

"I'm all about that [making tackles] and Zander [Diamond] is as well. We put our bodies on the line for it and I'm expecting us to do that for the whole season. I've been in this league for a long time and I think we'll be alright.

"We're working on those defensive partnerships, and they can always be better. But tonight I felt we showed what we could do together.

"We're both good talkers, we help each other out a lot to make our games easier. I'm really enjoying it and we're getting to know each other's habits."

Zakuani believes the Cobblers will continue to improve after their stuttering start to pre-season, saying: "Their goal was at that time of the game were people were tiring, and as the season goes on people will get fitter.

"A little bit more fitness and the player would probably have been closed down. But our heads didn't drop when we conceded, we plugged away and managed to get the equaliser."

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# Page pleased with 'good night's work'

COBBLERS

**Northampton boss Rob Page was happy with the improvement in his side's defending - but conceded more needs to be done on the attacking side as his side drew 1-1 with QPR.**

**Alex Revell scored a late equaliser against Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink's side, after it looked as if a goal from substitute Nasser El Khayati had won it for them.**

**There were certainly leaps of improvement in defence off the back of an abject 4-2 loss to local non-league side Brackley.**

**But the lack of chances up top - Revell's goal was virtually the only effort on target - frustrated the Sixfields crowd, and it's something Page is confident will be put right.**

**He said: "We switched off for their goal, but to finish on a high and get an equaliser in the manner in which we did – with Revs (Alex Revell) getting a top class finish – was a good day's work.**

**"I thought Gabby Zakuani was outstanding at the back tonight, which is what we knew he could do and why we brought him in. He can see danger, he's quick and makes tackles and a warrior type defender which is what we need.**

**"And I thought Zander did very well alongside him as well. From front to back I thought it was a well drilled performance."**

**Page pledged that some new faces would be walking through the doors of Sixfields to boost the options going forward, but that bringing those players in is not a process that will be rushed.**

**Page added: "It's evident we need more support up there, but don't forget we were up against a Championship side. We had to be disciplined in our play, and defensively that's a foundation we can build off. We will be bringing more players into the football club, but we want the right players."**

ON OUR WAY: Northants celebrate one of Graeme White's wickets against Birmingham Bears on Tuesday

# Stunning Steelbacks

CRICKET

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**Northamptonshire head coach David Ripley will be looking for a repeat performance from their emphatic victory over Birmingham Bears when his players head to Yorkshire on Friday.**

The Steelbacks qualified for the quarter finals of the NatWest T20 Blast on Tuesday night by thrashing the Bears by 74 runs in what was a spectacular return to form after an indifferent run of results.

They dominated with bat and ball in posting 200-5 before bowling the visitors out for just 126, but there is still plenty to play for in their last two group games – both against Yorkshire, who are just two points off fourth despite being second from bottom. One more victory would secure a home tie in the last eight and Ripley said: "We played really well on Tuesday night, but that doesn't guarantee we'll come out and be at our best on Friday.

"We've got to get things right, we've got to think about the things we did well against Birmingham and try and do that again on Friday night.

"History this season suggests we're having more good days than bad days. I'm sure Yorkshire will be looking at how they can turn us over, but we're confident, we're playing well.

"We're already in the quarter finals, so there's a different type of pressure playing for a home tie than there is playing to get through and we'll enjoy that, I think."

This is the third time in four seasons that Northants have reached the quarter finals of a T20 competition – after winning the old Friends Life T20 in 2013 and reaching the final of the Blast last year.

It's an excellent achievement for a county often regarded as unfashionable, not to mention one with such a small budget and a small squad that has had to manage injuries in recent weeks.

Spinner Graeme White, who took a hat-trick against Birmingham, said: "We don't want to use that as an excuse, but what we do is play a good brand of white ball cricket.

"We all know our roles, what we're doing and we might not have a lot of superstars in the side, but what we do is play as a team and I think that showed on Tuesday night. We needed to get back winning – it's a habit.

"We had a couple of disappointing performances, where in parts we played well, but as a team in general we didn't play to our very best, whereas against Birmingham we put in a very good performance, on TV."

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